

FEBRUARY 14, 1837.

Read twice, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. WARD, from the Committee on the Public Buildings, reported
the following bill:

A BILL

For the relief of the Columbian Institute.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*
3 the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby,
4 appropriated, to be paid to the Columbian Institute, in the city
5 of Washington, for the moneys disbursed by them for the im-
6 provement of the public grounds on the west front of the Capi-
7 tol: *Provided, That* the said sum of fifteen hundred dollars be
8 applied to the erection of a building in which to hold the meet-
9 ings of the said institute, and for the exhibition of the works of
10 American artists in sculpture and painting.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That* the said sum be
2 paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appro-
3 priated,